

USDA Foreign Agricultural Service

GAIN Report

Global Agriculture Information Network

Template Version 2.09

Voluntary Report - public distribution

Date: 7/22/2004

GAIN Report Number: BK4020

Bosnia-Hercegovina Trade Policy Monitoring Duty Free Quotas for Meat 2004

Approved by:

Sarah Hanson U.S. Embassy

Prepared by:

Sanela Stanojcic

Report Highlights:

The Bosnia and Herzegovina Government passed an amendment to the Customs Tariff Law that will apply duty free import quotas for unprocessed beef, pork, and chicken on a quarterly basis. The measure will allow for a cheaper supply of unprocessed meat, as well as stimulate domestic production because processors must first buy locally produced product to utilize the quotas. Bosnia and Herzegovina imports most meat for processing from Slovenia, Austria, Poland, the Netherlands, Hungary, and Italy.

Includes PSD Changes: No Includes Trade Matrix: No Unscheduled Report Vienna [AU1] The Bosnia and Herzegovina Government passed an amendment to the Customs Tariff Law that will apply duty free import quotas for beef, pork, and chicken for processing on a quarterly basis (BiH Official Gazette #32 dated July 15 2004).

The Government amended the Customs Tariff Law to allow the meat industry to have access to cheaper supplies of unprocessed meat, as well as to stimulate domestic production of meat. The duty free quotas only apply if meat processors have previously purchased locally produced meat.

The ratio is determined as follows:

Pork: 1 kg of duty free imported pork meat will be allowed for 2 kg of locally purchased meat

Beef and chicken meat 3 kg of duty free imported meat will be allowed 1 kg of locally purchased meat.

The ratio can be changed depending on the domestic economic situation, and the quotas can be reviewed and applied up to four times a year.

Bosnia and Herzegovina imports most meat for processing from Slovenia, Austria, Poland, the Netherlands, Hungary, and Italy.

Table 1. Duty Free Import Tariff Quotas for beef, pork and chicken meat (on three months basis)

HS #		Duty Free Tariff Quota (tones)	Regular Import Duty
0202 30 90 00	Beef, frozen, boneless, other	1.273	10% + 1.50 KM/kg
0203 19 15 00	Pork, fresh, chilled and frozen, breasts with bacon and cuts	652	10% + 1.50 KM/kg
0203 22 19 00	Pork, fresh, chilled and frozen, shoulders and cuts	450	10% + 1.20 KM/kg
0207 14 10 00	Poultry meat, cuts, frozen, boneless	2.268	10% + 2.00 KM/kg
0210 11 31 00	Meat and edible meat offal, salted, in brine, dried or smoked; edible flours and meals of meat, ham and cuts.	80	10% + 2.50 KM/kg
0210 19 81 00	Meat and edible offal, salted, in brine, dried or smoked; edible flours and meals of meat or offal meal, boneless	120	10% + 2.50 KM/kg

Currency note: \$1.00 ~ 1.60 KM